

# Senate Study Bill 1053

SENATE STUDY BILL \_\_\_\_\_  
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON  
EDUCATION BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON BOETTGER)

Passed Senate, Date \_\_\_\_\_ Passed House, Date \_\_\_\_\_  
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Approved \_\_\_\_\_

## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to school district transportation routes outside  
2 a district's boundaries.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
4 TLSB 1070XC 80  
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1 1 Section 1. Section 282.18, subsection 10, Code 2003, is  
1 2 amended to read as follows:  
1 3 10. Notwithstanding section 285.1 relating to  
1 4 transportation of nonresident pupils, the parent or guardian  
1 5 is responsible for transporting the pupil without  
1 6 reimbursement to and from a point on a regular school bus  
1 7 route of the receiving district. However, a receiving  
1 8 district may send school vehicles into the district of  
1 9 residence of the pupil using the open enrollment option under  
1 10 this section, for the purpose of transporting the pupil to and  
1 11 from school in the receiving district, ~~if the boards of both~~  
~~1 12 the sending and receiving districts agree to this arrangement.~~  
1 13 If the pupil meets the economic eligibility requirements  
1 14 established by the department and state board of education,  
1 15 the sending district is responsible for providing  
1 16 transportation or paying the pro rata cost of the  
1 17 transportation to a parent or guardian for transporting the  
1 18 pupil to and from a point on a regular school bus route of a  
1 19 contiguous receiving district unless the cost of providing  
1 20 transportation or the pro rata cost of the transportation to a  
1 21 parent or guardian exceeds the average transportation cost per  
1 22 pupil transported for the previous school year in the  
1 23 district. If the cost exceeds the average transportation cost  
1 24 per pupil transported for the previous school year, the  
1 25 sending district shall only be responsible for that average  
1 26 per pupil amount. A sending district which provides  
1 27 transportation for a pupil to a contiguous receiving district  
1 28 under this subsection may withhold from the district cost per  
1 29 pupil amount, that is to be paid to the receiving district, an  
1 30 amount which represents the average or pro rata cost per pupil  
1 31 for transportation, whichever is less.  
1 32 Sec. 2. Section 285.9, subsection 3, Code 2003, is amended  
1 33 by striking the subsection.

1 34 EXPLANATION

1 35 This bill permits a receiving district to send a school  
2 1 vehicle into the school district of residence to transport a  
2 2 pupil participating in open enrollment to the receiving  
2 3 district. The bill strikes a provision directing the area  
2 4 education agencies to approve all bus routes outside the  
2 5 boundary of the district of the school operating buses.  
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